Working With The Office of Graphic Communications



HISTORY



Department of Social Services
Division of Child Support Enforcement
Paternity Establishment Brochure

- Established in 1980 within the Virginia Department of General Services.
- ◆ A creative resource that serves state agencies, colleges and universities, local government and non-profit organizations.
- One hundred percent self-supported (Internal Service Fund).
- Reviewed and regulated by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC).
- Mandatory source for design services with estimated costs over \$750.

Full-service creative group offering:

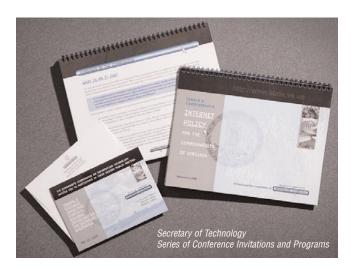
- Concept, marketing and cost saving recommendations
- Creative communication design solutions
- Web site design consultation and graphics
- Illustrations, graphs, charts and maps
- Photography concept and art direction
- Project management from concept through delivery of the finished product includes coordination of all components of multi-piece promotional packages, as well as, solicitation of bids for copywriting and photography when required.
- Printing management includes recommendations for appropriate printing techniques, papers and inks, detailed print specifications and quality standards, print procurement, review of printer proofs and on-site press approvals.

Typical products designed and produced by OGC include:

- Promotion, information and public education campaigns
- College recruitment packages
- Logos and identity systems
- Annual reports
- Brochures and booklets
- Magazines and newsletters
- Web Graphics
- Posters
- College and Bookstore catalogs
- Calendars
- Museum books, catalogues and brochures
- Advertisements
- Fees: All services are billed at \$60 per hour plus materials and expenses. The Office of Graphic Communications derives all operating revenues from its fees to other agencies for services rendered and receives no general fund subsidies.

Our Customers

Our customers include more than 60 state agencies, colleges and universities. We achieve a high level of customer satisfaction through our commitment to excellence. Customers rely on our creativity, experience and willingness to accept projects with short deadlines and tight budgets. We offer individualized, professional services tailored to your program needs and budget.





The Design Process

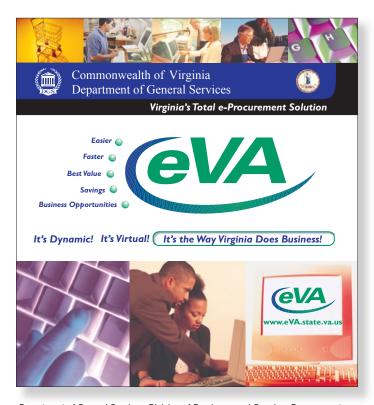
PROCESS

♦ Your role in the Design Process

In your first meeting with OGC be prepared to provide essential information about your project and agency that will enable us to assess your needs and make appropriate recommendations. Effective communications within your agency in the early stages of a project can eliminate costly alteration charges.

Basic information for your initial meeting with OGC:

- What kind of product is being considered?
- What purpose will the product serve, what should it accomplish?
- Who is the target audience?
- What resource materials are available? (draft copy, research, statistics, agency publications, photographs, previously printed samples you like or dislike)
- What is the budget for the project?
- What is the deadline?



Department of General Services, Division of Purchases and Supply e-Procurement Campaign which includes a Logo, Web Site Home Page, Postcard Announcements, Brochure, Vendor and Buyer Kits, and Exhibit Displays

Our graphic designer will meet with you to discuss the design and production process. Upon approval of the estimated costs, OGC requires a state purchase requisition from your agency to initiate the project. There will be several phases of the process that will require review and approval of proofs by the agency representatives.

Typical steps in the process are:

- Consultation and recommendations
- Estimated costs and production schedule
- Receipt of final copy from the agency or copywriter
- Presentation of design options
- Revisions and agency approval of the final design
- Photography and/or illustrations
- Design and layout proofs for review
- Printing specifications and bids
- Final proofs for agency proofreading and approval
- Preparation of materials for printing
- Inspection of printer proofs
- Agency approval of printer proofs
- Inspection of finished product

Our role in the Design Process

An OGC designer will be assigned to your project and will manage every aspect of the job from concept through final delivery. You will be consulted throughout the development of your project. If the scope of a project changes, you will be advised of any impact the change may have on costs and deadlines. This individualized attention guarantees design continuity and efficient project tracking, ensuring that all deadline and budget requirements are met.

Our Billing Process

OGC uses a custom job tracking and billing software system to accurately document all costs of labor, materials and expenses for your project. Billings are issued monthly using interagency transfer (IAT) invoices which are due when submitted to your agency. A detailed breakdown of all services rendered is available.



Office of Graphic Communications Customers

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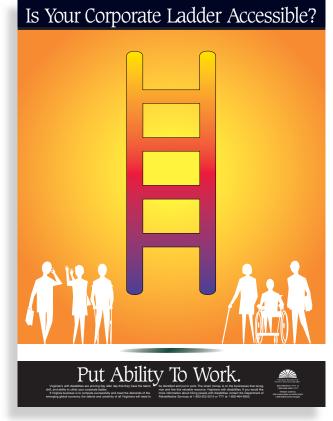
Agriculture and Consumer Services Aviation **Board of Elections** Board for People with Disabilities **Business Assistance** Charitable Gaming Commission Clean City Commission Conservation and Recreation **Correctional Enterprises** Council on Technology Services Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education **Employment Dispute Resolution Emergency Management Emergency Medical Services Employment Commission Environmental Quality** Forestry Game and Island Fisheries General Services **Gunston Hall Plantation** Health Health Professionals Historic Resources Housing and Community Development J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Juvenile Justice Labor and Industry Library of Virginia Lord Fairfax Community College Mary Washington College Mental Health Mines. Minerals and Energy

Museum of Fine Arts

Norfolk State University



The Rappahannock River Basin Commission Logo and Slogan



Virginia Board for People with Disabilities Campaign Poster and Bookmark



Office of the Governor Paul D. Camp Community College Rehabilitative Services Retirement System Richard Bland College Science Museum Secretary of Education Secretary of Technology Secretary of the Commonwealth Social Services Southside Virginia Community College State Corporation Commission State Police Supreme Court of Virginia Technology Planning **Tobacco Commission** Transportation Treasury University of Virginia VCU/MCV Virginia State University



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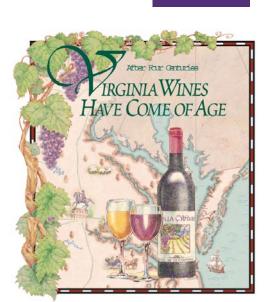
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Department of Agriculture, Wine Marketing Campaign which includes a Poster, Table, Shelf and Tent Cards, Blackboard, Wine Identification Wheel, and Banner



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OGC has established business relationships with a variety of professional services which include copywriting/editing, photography, illustration/technical drawing, web support, service bureaus, printing, exhibit/sign manufacturing and production services.



Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, Early Intervention Program Marketing Campaign which includes a Logo, Brochure, Poster, Advertisements, Consumer Magazine and Provider Kit.